

15-Passenger Van Driver Improvement Course

Test Bank and Answer Key



It is a good idea to “ride the brakes” when traveling down a long, steep grade?

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

“Hydroplaning” refers to what?

- a) Driving your vehicle too fast.
- b) Turning your vehicle.
- c) Skidding to a stop.
- d) Roll-over accident.
- e) All of the above.
- f) None of the above.

Correct answer f

If your Driver’s License has been revoked, it is still okay to drive an institution owned 15-Passenger Van – as long as you pass the 15-Passenger Van Course?

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

By learning and relying on “Reference Points”, you can:

- a) Park a 15-Passenger Van easier.
- b) Drive faster.
- c) Stop quicker.
- d) See farther.

Correct answer a

By backing a 15-Passenger Van into a parking space, leaving the space actually becomes easier.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer a

When approaching a red stop light, you should:

- a) Pump the brakes.
- b) Speed.
- c) Time it so when you reach the light it has turned green again.
- d) Stop 10 yards before the intersection.

Correct answer c

When parking on an incline/decline, it is not necessary to apply the parking brake if you shift the transmission into PARK.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

When applying your brakes on a city street, you should:

- a) Down-shift.
- b) Turn.
- c) Honk your horn.
- d) Check rearview mirror.

Correct answer d

You're the driver on a trip back from a swim meet when you notice a stranded motorist. You should:

- a) Stop and offer them a ride.
- b) Run them over.
- c) Laugh Hysterically at them.
- d) Not offer them a ride.

Correct answer d

If you need the extra space, it is OK to tie some items to the top of an institution-owned 15-Passenger Van.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

If, upon returning an institution-owned 15-Passenger Van, you notice that one of the wheels is missing a lug nut, you should:

- a) Notify Motor-Pool.
- b) Attempt to replace it.
- c) Assume the Maintenance Department will find it.
- d) Remove the tire.

Correct answer a

Motor Pool performs a thorough Preventive Maintenance Inspection on every van after every trip.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

Vehicle momentum can increase the chance of rolling a 15-Passenger Van when cornering.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer a

A fully loaded 15-Passenger Van is __ times more likely to roll than an empty one:

- a) 6-times.
- b) 3-times.
- c) 10-times.
- d) 2-times.

Correct answer a

Driving at night does not increase your chances of being involved in an accident.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

Per State Law, driving an institution-owned 15-Passenger Van at night is prohibited.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

The Center-of-Gravity of a fully loaded 15-Passenger Van is higher than an empty one.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer a

15-Passenger Vans:

- a) Take longer to stop than regular vehicles.
- b) Are lighter than regular vehicles.
- c) Are shorter than regular vehicles.
- d) Are lower than regular vehicles

Correct answer a

You (the authorized driver) are not responsible for the safety of your passengers.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

In the following photo the cones represent which of the following?



- a) Driver's reference points.
- b) First point at which the driver can see the pavement.
- c) Safety Zone.
- d) Potential hazards.

Correct answer b

Identify the potential hazards within your Line-of-Sight/Path-of-Travel in the following photo:



- a) Approaching vehicles, escaping chimps, intersection, bicyclist, stop sign.
- b) Intersection, crosswalks, bicyclist, approaching vehicles, stop sign.
- c) Bicyclist, trees, crosswalks, stop sign, intersection.
- d) Crosswalks, intersection, library, bicyclist, approaching vehicle.

Correct answer b

Identify the correct reference point in the first photo below. The second photo shows the "park job" that the correct reference point will give you.





- a) A
- b) B
- c) C
- d) D

Correct answer c

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- a) A
- b) B
- c) C
- d) D

Correct answer b

If during travel, one of your passengers removes his/her safety belt, you should:

- a) Continue driving until you reach a rest stop.
- b) Instruct the passenger to refasten the belt (stop the vehicle if they do not comply).
- c) Do nothing.
- d) Call your advisor/supervisor.

Correct answer b

It is necessary to conduct a pre-operation safety check before leaving on a trip.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer a

What "changes" with a fully loaded 15-passenger van?

- a) The "combined center-of-gravity".
- b) The chance of a rollover.
- c) Driver visibility.
- d) All of the above.

Correct answer d

15-passenger vans will "drive" and react similarly to a standard passenger vehicle.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

Many 15-passenger van accidents are caused by "overcorrecting."

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer a

Bringing a cellular phone along with you on a trip (when driving a 15-passenger van) is prohibited.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

During the pre-operation check, you notice that the rear tire on the passenger's side is low on air. You should:

- a) Call the police.
- b) Call a tow-truck.
- c) Take it to the nearest service station.
- d) Ignore it.

Correct answer c

Every night trip involving the use of 15-passenger vans requires the following when transporting passengers:

- a) Pre-operation check.
- b) A "shot-gun" rider.
- c) An authorized driver"
- d) All of the above.

Correct answer d

During travel (you're the driver), you receive an incoming call on your cellular phone. You should:

- a) Answer the call.
- b) Have someone else answer the call or pull over to answer it.
- c) Ignore the call.
- d) Turn the phone off.
- e) Either B or C.
- f) Either A or D.

Correct answer e

It is not important to "distribute" the cargo in a 15-passenger van.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

If you become tired while driving an institution-owned 15-passenger van, you should:

- a) Allow one of your passengers to drive.
- b) Keep driving.
- c) Stop at a rest-stop/get coffee.
- d) Fall asleep at the wheel.

Correct answer c

15-passenger vans are dangerous no matter how you operate them.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

15-passenger vans are involved in more accidents than other passenger vehicles.

- a) True.
- b) False.

Correct answer b

When traveling down a long downhill stretch, you should:

- a) Down-shift.
- b) Hold your foot on the brakes.
- c) Not use the brakes.
- d) All of the above.

Correct answer a

When traveling on icy roads with only 3 passengers, you should:

- a) Seat the passengers over the rear axles.
- b) Not require seatbelts.
- c) Drive faster.
- d) Call the police.

Correct Answer a